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- the Kostov movement in Bulgaria is important and is parallel to the Tito nationalist movement in Yugoslavia. The Kostov group has no contact with the Yugoslav nationalists.
- 2. Vasil Kolarov has contacted the convicted and jailed Agrarian leaders Constantine Muraviev and Gichev. Dimiter Gichev, according to source, seems willing to collaborate with the Communists; Muraviev maintains his opposition.
- 3. Kolarov has also contacted Alexander Girginov, the political leader who has been interned in the Dobrudja area.
- 4. General Slavko Trnski, a friend of Marshal Tito, is not in the good graces of the Bulgarian Communist Party but continues to hold his Army command. He is a candidate for the position of Councilman for Sofia.

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